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IN THE
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): David M. KURN et al.

Confirmation No.: 4932

Application No.: 09/734,962

Examiner: T. M. Norris

Filing Date: 12/11/2000

Group Art Unit: 2137

Title: SCALABLE COMPUTER SYSTEM USING PASSWORD-BASED PRIVATE KEY
ENCRYPTION

Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

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Respectfully submitted,

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For:	Scalable Computer System Using Password- Based Private Key Encryption	§	Docket No.:	200301738-1

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 28, 2004

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Date: September 27, 2004

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of June 28, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

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